

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

FRANCISCO ABELLAN VILLENA, et al.

Defendants

NO. 18-CV-4309 (PKC)

**RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION'S
STATUS REPORT OF FEBRUARY 18, 2022**

Defendant James B. Panther respectfully submits this response to Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission's Status Report dated February 18, 2022 (ECF No. 105). Mr. Panther remains optimistic that the parties will agree to a settlement and that the interests of justice and judicial economy would be best served by permitting the parties a few additional weeks to attempt to resolve this matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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